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ABSTRACT

Heat exchanger is one of the important devices in cooling and heating process in factories, buildings, transports and others. The heat exchanger is found in large construction to support cooling process such as fossil fuel power plant. For this research, the small heat exchanger of double pipe type is constructed which wants to make it practicality in daily life such for saving fuel in vehicle. So, in this research, the best design for the small double pipe heat exchanger is choose based on TEMA specification. For this research, the hot air from engine bay is cooling down by using water pipe as the cold water where the temperature inlet and outlet for both fluids are specified. In this research, the properties of materials and its size are considered design process. After choosing the best design, the heat exchanger is fabricated by using sawing, flame-cutting, oxy-acetylene welding and drilling. The experiment is performed under two difference conditions where cold water flow rate is manipulated. From the experiment, the temperature of the hot air is dropped faster when using high flow rate of water with constant flow rate of hot air and the overall heat transfer coefficient is increased when water flow rate is increased.

ABSTRAK

Penukar haba adalah peralatan penting dalam proses penyejukan dan pemanasan di dalam kilang, bangunan, pengangkutan dan lain-lain. Penukar haba dijumpai di dalam pembinaan yang besar untuk menampung proses penyejukan seperti pelantar janakuasa bahan bakar fosil. Untuk kajian ini, penukar haba kecil yang berjenis tiub berkembar dibina dimana mahu membuatkannya praktikal di dalam kehidupan seharian seperti menjimatkan bahan bakar di dalam kenderaan. Oleh itu, di dalam kajian ini, rekabentuk penukar haba kecil yang berjenis tiub berkembar yang terbaik dipilih berdasarkan spesifikasi TEMA. Untuk kajian ini, udara panas daripada kawasan enjin disejukkan dengan menggunakan air paip sebagai air sejuk dimana suhu keluar dan masuk untuk kedua-dua bendalir ditakrifkan. Di dalam kajian ini, sifat bahan dan saiz adalah diambil kira dalam proses rekabentuk. Selepas memilih rekabentuk yang terbaik, penukar haba difabrikasikan dengan menggunakan gergaji, pemotongan api, kimpalan oksigen-acetylene dan penggerudian. Eksperimen dilakukan di bawah dua keadaan berlainan dimana arus air sejuk dimanipulasikan. Daripada eksperimen, suhu udara panas diturunkan dengan cepat selepas menggunakan arus air yang tinggi dengan arus udara yang tetap.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS

| | |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| A | Area |
| A_s | Surface area |
| A | Cross section area |
| A_i | Area of the inner surface of the wall |
| A_o | Area of the outer surface of the wall |
| A_s | Area of surface |
| C_{pc} | Specific heat of cold fluid |
| \dot{C}_{ph} | Specific heat of hot fluid |
| C_h | Heat capacity rate of hot fluid |
| C_c | Heat capacity rate of cold fluid |
| C_{\min} | Minimum heat capacity rate |
| c | Capacity ratio |
| D | Diameter of tube |
| D_i | Inner diameter of tube |
| D_o | Outer diameter of tube |
| ε | Effectiveness |
| h_i | Inner fluid convection coefficient |
| h_o | Outer fluid convection coefficient |
| L | Length of tube |
| \dot{m} | Mass flow rate |
| m | Graph gradient |

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| m_c | Mass flow rate of cold fluid |
| m_h | Mass flow rate of hot fluid |
| Q | Rate of heat transfer |
| Q_{\max} | Maximum of heat transfer rate |
| R | Thermal resistance |
| Re | Reynold number |
| R_{wall} | Thermal resistance |
| R_i | Inner fluid thermal resistance |
| R_o | Outer fluid thermal resistance |
| R_{total} | Total of thermal resistance |
| ΔT | Temperature difference |
| $T_{c,\text{in}}$ | Inlet temperature of cold fluid |
| $T_{c,\text{out}}$ | Outlet temperature of cold fluid |
| $T_{h,\text{in}}$ | Inlet temperature of hot fluid |
| $T_{h,\text{out}}$ | Outlet temperature of hot fluid |
| ΔT_{lm} | Log mean temperature difference |
| U | Overall heat transfer coefficient |
| U_i | Overall heat transfer coefficient of inside tube |
| U_o | Overall heat transfer coefficient of outside tube |
| \dot{V} | Volume flow rate |
| V | Velocity |

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|------|---|
| LMTD | Log Mean Temperature Difference |
| TEMA | The Tubular Exchanger Manufacturers Association |

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The heat exchanger is a device which transferred the heat from hot medium to cold medium without mixed both of medium since both mediums are separated with a solid wall generally. There are many types of heat exchanger that used based on the application. For example, double pipe heat exchanger is used in chemical process like condensing the vapor to the liquid. When to construct this type of heat exchanger, the size of material that want to uses must be considered since it affected the overall heat transfer coefficient. For this type of heat exchanger, the outlet temperature for both hot and cold fluids that produced is estimated by using the best design of this type of heat exchanger.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

The double pipe heat exchanger is used in industry such as condenser for chemical process and cooling fluid process. This double pipe heat exchanger is designed in a large size for large application in industry. For this research, the small heat exchanger of double pipe type is constructed which wants to make it practicality in daily life such in cooling the hot air from engine bay into intake manifold of car. To make this small double pipe heat exchanger type become practicality, the best design for this small double pipe heat exchanger is choose.

1.3 OBJECTIVES OF RESEARCH

The objectives of this research are as follows:

- i. To study about heat transfer analysis in heat exchanger.
- ii. To design the heat exchanger based on TEMA specification.

1.4 SCOPES OF RESEARCH

The scopes of this research are as follows:

- i. Study on heat transfer for heat exchanger specific to double pipe heat exchanger types.
- ii. Construct and simulate calculator for double pipe heat exchanger by using Visual Basic 6.0.
- iii. Design the double pipe heat exchanger by using Solidwork.
- iv. Fabricated the double pipe heat exchanger by using sawing, flame-cutting, oxy-acetylene welding and drilling process.
- v. Analysis the heat exchanger specific to flow rate of hot and cold fluid.

1.5 SIGNIFICANCE OF RESEARCH

The significances of this research are as follows:

- i. To determine the best design for double pipe heat exchanger type.
- ii. To fabricate the double pipe heat exchanger.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter discussed about definition of heat exchanger, functions of heat exchanger, applications of heat exchanger, criteria for heat exchanger selection, fluid fundamental in heat exchanger, type of heat exchanger, construction of double pipe heat exchanger, flow arrangement in heat exchanger, overall heat transfer coefficient of double pipe heat exchanger, log mean temperature difference (LMTD) method for double pipe heat exchanger, effectiveness-ntu method for double pipe heat exchanger

2.2 DEFINITION OF HEAT EXCHANGER

Heat exchanger is a device, such as an automobile radiator, used to transfer heat from a fluid on one side of a barrier to a fluid on the other side without bringing the fluid into direct contact (Fogiel, 1999). Usually, this barrier is made from metal which has good thermal conductivity in order to transfer heat effectively from one fluid to another fluid. Besides that, heat exchanger can be defined as any of several devices that transfer heat from a hot to a cold fluid. In engineering practical, generally, the hot fluid is needed to cool by the cold fluid. For example, the hot vapor is needed to be cool by water in condenser practical. Moreover, heat exchanger is defined as a device used to exchange heat from one medium to another often through metal walls, usually to extract heat from a medium flowing between two surfaces. In automotive practice, radiator is used as heat exchanger to cool hot water from engine by air surrounding same like intercooler which used as heat exchanger to cool hot air for engine intake manifold by

air surrounding. Usually, this device is made from aluminum since it is lightweight and good thermal conductivity.

2.3 FUNCTION OF HEAT EXCHANGER

Heat exchanger is a special equipment type because when heat exchanger is directly fired by a combustion process, it becomes furnace, boiler, heater, tube-still heater and engine. Vice versa, when heat exchanger make a change in phase in one of flowing fluid such as condensation of steam to water, it becomes a chiller, evaporator, sublimator, distillation-coloumn reboiler, still, condenser or cooler-condenser. Heat exchanger may be designed for chemical reactions or energy-generation processes which become an integral part of reaction system such as a nuclear reactor, catalytic reactor or polymer (Fogiel, 1999). Normally, heat exchanger is used only for the transfer and useful elimination or recovery of heat without changed in phase. The fluids on either side of the barrier usually liquids but they can be gasses such as steam, air and hydrocarbon vapour or can be liquid metals such as sodium or mercury. In some application, heat exchanger fluids may used fused salts.

2.4 WHERE CAN FIND HEAT EXCHANGER

2.4.1 VEHICLE

Generally, the vehicle such as car and lorry is used petrol or diesel internal combustion engine where generated high heat and temperature which can affect durability of engine in long term and long journey. Moreover, the metal part of engine such as the crank shaft is quickly overheated and then, makes its life more short. This problem can be overcome by cooling this engine using radiator as a heat exchanger. From Figure 2.1, the hot coolant such as water which comes from the internal combustion of engine is pumped to radiator by water pump. The air from surrounding is exchanged the heat between the hot coolant at the radiator. Then, the hot coolant become cold and entered again to engine. Furthermore, other heat exchanger where used in vehicle is intercooler which designed for force induction engine such as turbocharged engine as shown in Figure 2.2. The hot air from the turbocharger is flowed through the

tubes inside the intercooler where the air from surrounding passed through this tubes and fins in the intercooler. At this time, heat is transferred from the tubes and fins to the cool surrounding air which produced cold air in the tubes. Then, this cold air is entered to the air intake of the engine. Based on theory, the cold air is denser and more molecules were carried. As a result, the performance of car is increased.

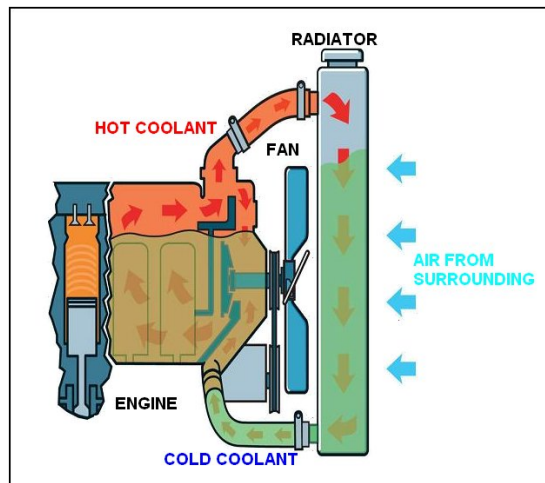


Figure 2.1: Radiator

Source: Walker (1982)

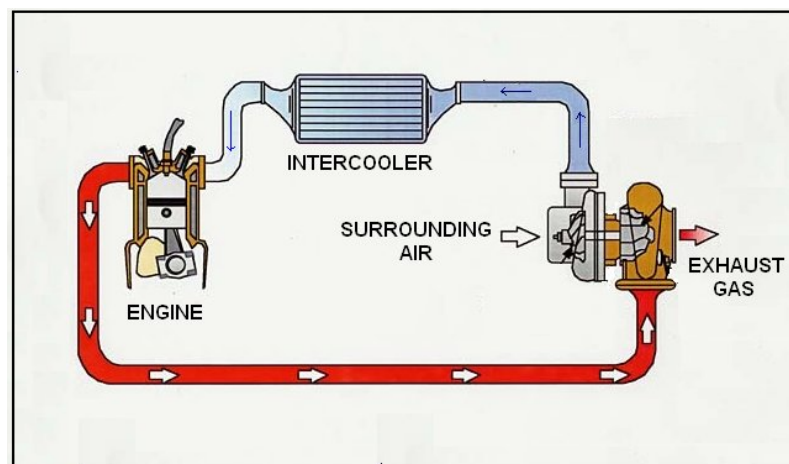


Figure 2.2: Turbocharger engine

Source: Walker (1982)

2.4.2 LABORATORY

Condenser is a device used to cool a vapor to cause it to condense to a liquid. The laboratory condenser has a straight tube which insulated with glass jacket. From Figure 2.3, the hot vapor produced by chemical reaction passes over the tube where thermometer recorded the point vapor temperature. Then, the vapor is flowed in condenser which cooled by cold water and the vapor is condensed to liquid. From heat transfer theory, the hot vapor was transferred heat to cold fluid until the hot vapor was cooled at certain temperature and become the liquid state. Lastly, this liquid as known as distillate is collected in receiver.

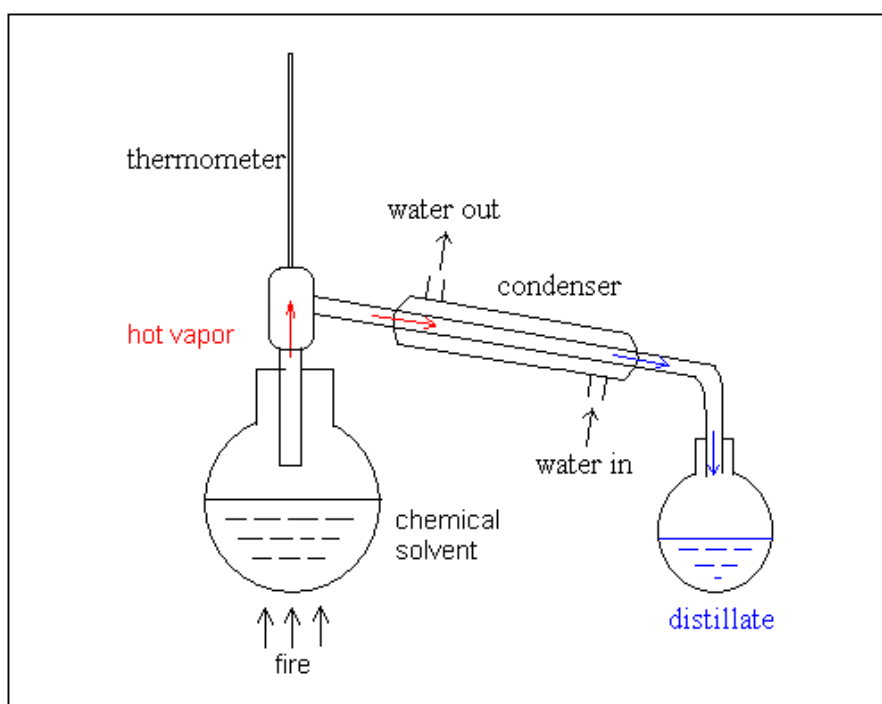


Figure 2.3: Condenser

Source: Walker (1982)

2.4.3 HOUSE

This type of water heater as shown in Figure 2.4 is difference by conventional water heater which used the water is heated in tank. For this type of water heater, it use

concept of heat exchanger where the water is instantly heated through the heat coils in the heater. The process is begin with the water entered the heater and the flow sensor is detected the water flow. Then, the computer automatically ignited the burner by using gas as a medium combustion and the burner is blow by fan. At same time, the water is circulated and heated in the heat exchanger at demand temperature. Finally, the hot water is produced.

Beside that, the heat exchanger can be found in house device such as a freezer where fish and vegetables is keep. Freezer is a device where taking the heat from inside the storage place and transferring the heat into the outside or environment. Generally, the freezer contain by compressor, condenser, drier, capillary tube and evaporator coil as shown in Figure 2.5. Firstly, the compressor pressurizes the refrigerant gas and pumped it around the system. After that, the gas is passed through the condenser coil where the heat is rejected to surrounding. Next, the gas passed through the drier to remove the dirt and enter the capillary tube which experience high pressure. Lastly, the cold gas is passed through the evaporator coil where the pressure is dropped and the gas is conducted the heat from storage place which make this place more cooled. This process of freezer system is repeated.



Figure 2.4: Water heater

Source: Walker (1982)